CLAIM AMENDMENTS

IN THE CLAIMS

This listing of the claims will replace all prior versions, and listing, of claims in the application or previous response to office action:

- 1. (Currently Amended) A purified and isolated nucleic acid sequence encoding a levopimaradiene synthase and comprising SEQ.ID.NO:36.
 - 2-4 (Cancelled).
- 5. (Currently Amended) An expression vector comprising an isolated and purified nucleic acid sequence encoding a levopimaradiene synthase <u>and comprising</u> SEQ.ID.NO:36, the sequence under the control of a promoter operable in a host cell.
- 6. (Original) The expression vector of claim 5, wherein said promoter is an inducible promoter.
- 7. (Original) The expression vector of claim 6, wherein said inducible promoter is GALl.
- 8. (Original) The expression vector of claim 5, wherein said host cell is a prokaryote.
- 9. (Original) The expression vector of claim 8, wherein said prokaryote is *Escherichia coli*.
- 10. (Original) The expression vector of claim 5, wherein said host cell is a eukaryote.

- 11. (Original) The expression vector of claim 10, wherein said eukaryote is a yeast.
 - 12-22. (Cancelled).
- 23. (Currently Amended) An expression vector comprising an isolated polynucleotide sequence encoding a polypeptide having an amino acid sequence of a levopimaradiene synthase and comprising SEQ.ID.NO:37.
 - 24. (Cancelled).
- 25. (Currently Amended) A unicellular organism comprising a purified and isolated nucleic acid sequence encoding a levopimaradiene synthase <u>and comprising</u> SEQ.ID.NO:36.
 - 26. (Cancelled).
- 27. (Original) The unicellular organism of claim 25, wherein said nucleic acid sequence further comprises an expression vector.
- 28. (Original) The unicellular organism of claim 27, wherein said expression vector comprises an inducible promoter.
- 29. (Original) The unicellular organism of claim 28, wherein said inducible promoter is GALl.
- 30. (Currently Amended) The unicellular organism of claim 25, wherein said nucleic acid sequence <u>encoded encoding</u> said levopimaradiene synthase <u>eontaining contains</u> a deletion in the N-terminal sequence.

- 31. (Original) The unicellular organism of claim 25, wherein said organism is Saccharomyces, Escherichia coli, Candida albicans or Kluyveromyces lactis.
- 32. (Original) The unicellular organism of claim 25, wherein said organism is *Escherichia coli*.
- 33. (Original) The unicellular organism of claim 25, wherein said organism is Saccharomyces cerevisiae.
- 34. (Currently Amended) A yeast host cell comprising a vector, wherein said vector comprises a purified and isolated nucleic acid sequence of claim 2 encoding a levopimaradiene synthase and comprising SEQ.ID.NO:36 under control of a promoter operable in said yeast host cell.
- 35. (Currently Amended) A yeast host cell comprising a vector, wherein said vector comprises an isolated polynucleotide sequence encoding a polypeptide having an amino acid sequence of claim 20 of a levopimaradiene synthase and comprising SEO.ID.NO:37, the polynucleotide sequence under control of a promoter operable in said yeast host cell.
- 36. (Currently Amended) A plant host cell comprising an isolated and purified nucleic acid sequence of claim 2 encoding a levopimaradiene synthase and comprising SEQ.ID.NO:36 under control of a promoter operable in said plant host cell.
- 37. (Original) The plant host cell of claim 36, wherein said plant is *Ginkgo biloba*.
 - 38-67. (Cancelled).